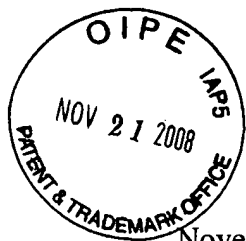


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Sir:

In response to an Office Action dated July 10, 2007, the undersigned attorney for applicant filed an AMPLIFICATION OF APPEAL BRIEF on August 1, 2007.

A review of private PAIR indicates that the case was "forwarded to Examiner" on August 30, 2007, and "docketed to Examiner" on March 14, 2008.

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Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests information regarding the status of this application.

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